

MARTHA SANDERSON.

[To accompany Bill H. R. No. 529.]

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MARCH 30, 1860.

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Mr. C. D. MARTIN, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, made the following

REPORT.

*The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Martha Sanderson, report:*

That they have had the same under consideration, and find, from the proofs in the case, that the petitioner is the widow of Major Winslow F. Sanderson, who died of yellow fever, while on his way to join his regiment in Texas, in 1853, whither he was ordered to proceed from Ohio, where he had been spending a furlough. That when he reached New Orleans he had orders to proceed to Tampa Bay, Florida, to attend a court-martial, and when he returned to New Orleans, while waiting for the first steamer to take him to his regiment, took the yellow fever, then epidemic, and died. The application of the petitioner to the Pension office is acknowledged to be meritorious, but refused, because he was not actually killed in battle, or died from wounds received on the battle-field. It also appears that after he was dead his pockets were rifled of all moneys, a watch, and whatever was valuable. Your committee report a bill granting her a pension at half pay of major, from January 1, 1860, during her widowhood, and recommend its passage.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

DATE: 10/10/77

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK

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